GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

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INSTALLATION OF CATEGORY III LANDING INSTRUMENT
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the airports in the country where air traffic was disrupted because of fog during the last two Winter seasons;

(b) the finanacial loss suffered by Indian Airlines including Alliance Air and Air India due to such disruption;

(c) whether the Government have any proposal to instal category III Instrument Landing System at these airports tofacilitate take off/landing even in low visibility; and

(d) if so, the details of the airports on which the instrument is likely to be installed?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION

(SHRI SHARAD YADAV)
(a):- The Indira Gandhi International Airport, Delhi and domestic airports at Lucknow, Jammu and Amritsar were affected due to heavy fog during the last two winter seasons leading to dirsuption of flights.

(b):- Air India suffered a loss of Rs. 530 lakhs in 1998-99 and Rs. 130 lakhs in 1999-2000 and Indian Airlines including Alliance Air incurred a loss of Rs. 6.47 crores in 1998-99 and Rs. 2.50 crores in 1999-2000.

(c) & (d) :- Airports Authority of India(AAI)has already installed Cat.IIIInstrument Landing System(I.L.S.)at Indira Gandhi International(IGI) Airport. On installation of runway centre-line lights at IGI airport this system will be declared operational in November, 2000. AAI has plans to instal Cat.II I.L.S. at Lucknow, Jammu, Amritsar by 2001.